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### Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/839,949 First Named Applicant: Jean-Louis Excoffier  
 Examiner: Mahatan, Channing Art Unit: 1631 Status of Application: Pending

**Tentative Participants:**

(1) Gerald Chan (2) Jeffrey Smith  
 (3) Channing S. Mahatan (4) Marianne P. Allen

Proposed Date of Interview: TBD Proposed Time: TBD (AM/PM)

**Type of Interview Requested:**

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

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### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej. (§101)</u>	<u>Claims 1-18, 44, 45, 49-53</u>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Discussion of Claim 1 and requirements of  
35 U.S.C. Sections 101, 112 1st & 2nd paragraphs.

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Gerald Chan  
 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

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